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VISIT TO SOUTHERN GERMANY AND AUSTRIA

14th JUNE - 12th JULY

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SECTION I.

The following personnel constituted Team 4 as it left England:

Lieutenant Commander Howard Campaigne, U.S.N.R.  
Lieutenant Evelyn Talbot-Ponsonby, R.N.V.R.  
Lieutenant Christopher Huntington, U.S.N.R.  
Corporal A.G. Abel, Royal Signals, S.C.U.8.

and one Dodge 6 x 6 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton truck.

The original purposes of the trip were:

1. To contact Lieutenant Drayton Phillips, U.S.N.R., at Lindau, exploit his target and bring back the material he had already collected;
2. To visit Innrain 9 in Innsbruck and make sure that exploitation was complete;
3. To make sure that the Institut Professor Vierling was properly covered;
4. To join up with the N.I.D. 30 A.U. team in that area, and visit with them the following list of targets:

(a) FUESSEN (Bavaria)

Naval Experimental Station possibly working on one man submarine experiment reported on the Alai See.\*

(b) GUNZBURG

S IV/3 is here (acceptance authority for mining and barrage equipment for firms in Baden).\*

(c) +LINDAU

Engineering School for amphibious operations.\*

(d) +LINZ-DONAU

Artillerie Waffenkommando Linz at Linz Donau, Hafenstrasse 1a.

(e) LOFER

Experimental Station for V-weapons and chemicals reported at GSGS 4416/Y7/702966, in depression between the Ochsenhorn and Breithorn mountains\* (part of the Loferer Stein Berge).

(f) STEHANSKIRCHEN (Near Rosenheim GSGS 4416/X5/3227)

Part of experimental station for Peenemuende transferred here, to "Teillager des Flakparks XI, Rosenheim".

(g) STOCKDORFERWALD (S. of Munich)

Large underground research institute reported between Gauting and Planegg, on the Munich-Wilheim railway, and 4 kms. to the East of the small village of Stockdorf.

SECRET(h) +ISLAND OF MAINAU (Bodensee)

Experimental Station from Peenemuende evacuated here.

(i) +NONNENHORN (Bodensee)\*

Naval Torpedo Experimental Station.

(j) GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN\*

Installations and personnel from Peenemuende (Target already visited).

(k) FRIEDRICHSHAFEN

(a) Experimental Station on Lake Constance - liquid propellant fuels for rockets and engines.\*

(b) Maybach Motorenbau - U-Boat parts.\*

(l) MUNICH

(a) Secret documents of Daimler Benz in the Franciskaner Kellar\*

(b) Firma Linde making liquid oxygen production equipment.\*

(c) Dr. Rhode of Schwarz, Tassiloplatz, Munich 9. Making infra-red apparatus.\*

(d) Forschungsanstalt der deutschen Reichspost, Munich 19 - Waissenhausstr. 4. Making search receiver aerials, anti-radar equipment, etc.

(e) Stoekicht - design gearing for turbines for Walterboote.

(m) +SALZBURG

(a) Oberste Bauleitung (Naval radar)

(b) Verwaltungsgesellschaft. Making proximity fuses for guided missiles.\*

(n) SCHLIER (6 kms. East of Ravensburg, near Lake Constance)

Liquid oxygen production plant.

(o) TROSTBERG (85 kms. East of Munich)

Liquid oxygen production plant at Sueddeutsche Kalkstickstoffwerke A.G.\*

(p) +WOLFGANGSEE (Near Innsbruck)

S.V.K. Branch Station

(q) +GRUNDELSEE (Near Aussee Linz, Austria)

C.P.V.A. Laboratories.

(r) +EBELSBURG (Near Linz)

Sperrwaffen Arsenal, containing depth charges and magnetic mines.\*

(s) KAUFBEUREN

One or two naval departments evacuated here from Berlin, including Hydrographic Printing, which may contain data on Japan.\*

(t) WALDSEE

Dr. Porsche and staff evacuated here from Stuttgart.\*

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The Team was to be augmented at Wiesbaden by Captain Malcolm Howgate, I.C., who had gone there with some prisoners earlier, and at Paris by Corporal Biggin, Royal Signals, with the radio set "VALEF".

The earlier part of the trip was taken up largely with clearing the Team with various authorities, first at Paris with S.I.D. ETOUSA  
then at Wiesbaden with 12th Army Group  
then at Frankfurt with SHAEF, Naval Target Subdivision  
then at Heidelberg with T-section, 6th Army Group  
then at Lindau with French 1st Armée, Section T.  
then at Freising with the Intelligence Center, 3rd Army  
and later at Salzburg with II Corps, G-2

The earlier objectives were disposed of in the following ways:

1. At Nornenhorn near Lindau. Lieutenant Phillips was contacted, and a box of documents collected from him. It appeared that they had come from Innsbruck, and that two of the original purposes of the trip were really one.
2. Innrain 9 in Innsbruck was visited nevertheless, and found to be in very bad condition. It had already been visited by seven or eight different parties, and previous to that had been set afire and then wet by the fire department. Although supposedly exploited, there was some doubt that there might not be things there of value. Consequently the Team returned by way of Innsbruck and collected all the remaining material which might conceivably be of interest, leaving behind only that which was already known or was in unusable condition.
3. Lieutenant Colonel Schroter, who was to be contacted either in Paris or in Wiesbaden, was missed at both places (he skipped Paris and left Wiesbaden three days before the Team arrived). Radio enquiries assured us that Vierling was being taken care of, so Team 4 dropped the matter.
4. Lieutenants Besant and Coggin of N.I.D.30 A.U. were met at Frankfurt with two trucks and a jeep and five other ranks. Lieutenant Commander Riley of N.T.S. had the list of targets annotated as above (an asterisk means that the target had been visited at least once). Thereafter Lieutenants Besant and Coggin considered themselves attached to Team 4. Their orders expired on 30th June, but were extended on request. On the return trip 30 A.U. left Team 4 at Innsbruck. The targets on their list which are marked with + signs were visited by Team 4.

Other objectives were assigned by radio. The first was to search the Schliersee area for traces of the archives of OKW/Chi. This was done very thoroughly with the help of a member of the Bavarian mountain police. Later the Team was directed to locate five persons of Oberst Boetzel's staff. This job was only begun when orders came to return to England.

Details of these movements can be found in the attached log (See Section II). Particulars of individual investigations are appended to the log (See Section III).

In general every area visited was being covered adequately either by special groups sent to particular targets, or by the routine organisations of Army G-2, Division S-2, C.I.C., or Military Government. In particular, however, Innrain 9 was not being covered completely from the Sigint point of view, nor had the authorities at Schliersee heard of Dr. Schaedel or OKW offices. It was at these two targets that Team 4 was able to conduct investigations the results of which, even though largely negative, were more substantial than those the regular authorities were able to provide.



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SECTION II - LOG

Thursday, 14 June through Monday, 18 June: War Station to Wiesbaden

Party, consisting of Lieutenant Commander Campaigne, Lieutenant Talbot-Ponsonby, Lieutenant Huntington, and Corporal Abel (driver), crossed the Channel by LST (Embarcation: Tilbury), and proceeded to Wiesbaden by way of Paris, arriving there Saturday evening. Obtaining billets in Paris was difficult and time-consuming for the reason that the orders issued by SHAEF contained no mention of Paris, and it was solely as the result of Lieutenant Commander Campaigne's persistent presentation of his case to Com.Z that that authority consented to billet the officers in Carlton's Hotel, Montmartre, and the driver at the Hotel Terrasse, Avenue Grande Armée. The visit to Paris was necessary for two aims, both carried out:

1. To pick up SCU "VALET", operated by Corporal Biggin, Royal Signals;
2. To report to Director, S.I.D. ETOUSA, before proceeding.

In addition, three further considerations made a visit to Paris desirable:

1. To consult with Captain Finn, U.S.N., about the extent of Naval target exploitation performed by Lieutenant Phillips, U.S.N.R., U.S. Naval Liaison Officer with the French Navy at Lindau;
2. To establish contact if possible with Lieutenant Colonel Schroter, British Army (M.A.P.), in connection with Forchheim target (Professor Vierling);
3. To pick up annotated list of targets from Lieutenant Commander Riley, R.N.V.R., to be visited by the 30 A.U. Team ordered to join us.

Captain Finn informed us that Lieutenant Phillips had a box of captured documents to be turned over to us and requested that we leave an inventory of the contents with Lieutenant Phillips to be sent to Captain Finn.

So far as we could determine, Lieutenant Colonel Schroter had not called at S.I.D. ETOUSA. Major Eldridge told us that in his opinion, Professor Vierling was a man who much exaggerated his own importance, either unwittingly or deliberately.

Lieutenant Commander Riley had already left Paris (i.e. Versailles) for Frankfurt.

Party spent Sunday night at Verdun and arrived 1600 Monday at Wiesbaden, where Captain Brogini of 12 A.G. G-2 put us in contact with Captain Howgate, I.C., henceforth a member of the Team. He had come to Wiesbaden after completing a previous assignment (See Section III, Report 1).

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Tuesday, 19 June: Wiesbaden, Frankfurt, HeidelbergWiesbaden:

Major Johnson-Ferguson, a British Liaison Officer with G-2, told us that Lieutenant Colonel Schroter had proceeded via Frankfurt to Forchheim three days ago.

Frankfurt:

Reported to Lieutenant McMahon, U.S.N.R., N.T.S., SHAEP, and joined with N.I.D. 30 A.U. Team in his office. 30 A.U. Team consisted of Lieutenant Besant, R.N.V.R. and Lieutenant Coggin, R.N.V.R., with 5 other ranks. Lieutenant Commander Riley, R.N.V.R. supplied the annotated list of targets to be visited by 30 A.U. in conjunction with us.

Called on Colonel Mattison, U.S.A., who gave us information outlined in "LER 8", 23 June.

Also called on the following: Colonel Scott and his assistant, Colonel Brown, of whom only the latter was in; Group Captain Scott-Farnie, who was not in; Lieutenant Commander Abbott, U.S.N.R.

Heidelberg:

Arrived 2230, billeted by 6th A.G.

SIGNALS OUT:

OLSU/SH 330 - TICOM v CAMPAIGNE

(A) At Frankfurt with 30 A.U.

(B) Leaving to-night for Heidelberg. Will be on air at 0600Z on Thursday 21 June.

(C) SCHROTER gone from here to FORCHHEIM. We will go there later if you think it desirable.

(Sent 19/6)

OLSU/SH 331 - TICOM v HOWGATE

Delivered civilians to Captain Lockwood Saturday 9/6. Lockwood knew nothing about civilians but received them and gave me receipt. I insisted they be under guard while with him

(Sent 19/6)

Wednesday, 20 June: Heidelberg to Ueberlingen

Obtained 6th A.G. passes for French 1st Army area from Colonel Frankel in Heidelberg and drove via Karlsruhe, Stuttgart, Tuebingen, and Ludwigshafen to Ueberlingen on the Lake of Constance. Billeted in hotel requisitioned by the French.

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Thursday, 21 June: Ueberlingen to Lindau (Kressbronn)

"VALET" met first schedule, 0600Z.

Proceeded to Lindau and reported to Liaison Allié (Colonel Swett, U.S.A., and Captain Charles, U.S.A.) who put us in touch with Lieutenant Phillips, U.S.N. Liaison Officer. Lieutenant Phillips arranged with the French to requisition a house in Kressbronn for our billets and to include us in the mess at "Section T-Marine" (Lieutenant Juin), also at Kressbronn.

SIGNALS OUT:

LER ONE

At UEBERLINGEN Rpt UEBERLINGEN forty miles from LINDAU. Party consists of Team Four with truck plus two officers and five enlisted men of Thirty Able Uncle with two light trucks and one jeep. Will skip the twelve hundred Zed schedule to-day and be back on prescribed schedule at eighteen hundred Zed to-night. Pass to Ware.

(TOO.210001/6)

LER 2 - TICOM from CAMPAIGNE

1. At LINDAU.
2. Documents seen.
3. Can not rpt not read your signals

(TOO.211845/6)

SIGNALS IN:

TOO.201816	(TIN 16)	unreadable until after arrival of TIN 19, late evening of 21st, since enciphered on book not held by us.
TOO.201822	(TIN 17)	
TOO.210953	(TIN 18)	
TOO.210902	(cancelled)	

TIN 16 - CAMPAIGNE for action from TICOM

Your OLSU/SH 330 received. Not rpt not known here whether you saw ELDRIDGE in PARIS or SCHROTER in FRANKFURT, and if so what information about FORCHHEIM elicited from them. Will signal you instructions when we hear from you whether machinery exists and what types.

(TOO.201816)

TIN 17 - CAMPAIGNE from TICOM

Please ask HOWGATE what type of arrest MARBURG civilians are being held under.

(TOO.201822)

TIN 18 - CAMPAIGNE from TICOM

HELLER has reported VIERLING and SCHROTER situation at EBERMANNSTADT now in hand. Ignore this target.

(TOO.210953)

DON 93 - from WARE

1. Callsigns for JULY are to be those used for April. For August those used for May, and for September those used for June.

2. Is this understood?

(TOO.211606)

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Friday, 22 June: Lindau (Kressbrom)

Obtained French 1st Army clearance for Bodensee area with help of Commander Slater and Colonel Swett. Visited Mainau (See Section III, Report 2).

SIGNALS OUT:

LER 3

Your reencodements of TIN 16, 17, 18 received and understood.  
Also TIN 19 and DON 93. Answers follow in next schedule.

(TOO.220611)

LER 4

Our TOO.220611 is LER 3 not rpt not 2.

(TOO.220647)

LER 5 - from BESANT

Repeat to NAN TARE SUGAR GEORGE TWO SHARP

Am unable to make contact with formation HOW QUEEN. Waiting clearance for BODENSEE district. Please pass to THIRTY ABLE UNCLE

(TOO.220947)

LER 6 - TICOM from CAMPAGNE

HOWGATE reports:

1. When he left MARBURG on tenth June civilians were in billet under security guard.
2. LOCKWOOD had no orders at that time either for reception or disposal of above civilians but he surmised orders were delayed.

(TOO.221215)

LER 7

1. ELDRIDGE seen at PARIS. SCHROTER had left FRANKFURT 3 days before we arrived. ELDRIDGE says VIERLING does not claim to have machinery but makes sweeping claims about what he has invented. Two men have been killed investigating his stuff.
2. DON 93 para. 2 YES.

(TOO.221320)

SIGNALS IN:

HIT 1

As VALET appear to be operating with BARON's pads, we shall in future send HIT series instead of TINS in reply to your LERS.

(TOO.221002)

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Saturday, 23 June: Lindau (Kressbronn)

Visited Grafenhausen, Bregenz, and Dornbirn (See Section III, Reports 3 and 4).

SIGNALS OUT:

LER 8

1. MATTISON gave us following information: GOTTLOB BERGER, former SchutzStaffel Hauptamt official in charge of Allied prisoners, kept special communications link going BERLIN and BREGENZ after surrender. Brig.Gen. VANAMAN at St. GERMAIN could advise whether BERGER now worth interrogating. BERGER is held at AUGSBURG.
2. MATTISON could not contact VANAMAN while we were in FRANKFURT. Promised to inform TICOM if he got further information. As his contact with VANAMAN possibly still unsuccessful, suggest BICHER check with VANAMAN.

(TOO.230815)

(Note: No comment on this signal was ever received)

LER 9

1. MAINAU NEUSTADT BREGENZ and DORNBIERN visited.
2. Leaving here Monday for FREISING for third Army clearance.

(TOO.231725)

SIGNALS IN:

HIT 2 - CAMPAIGNE from TICOM

LER 6 and 7 received. Many thanks.

(TOO.230930)

Sunday, 24 June: Lindau (Kressbronn)

Visited Lieutenant Phillips and examined material he had collected from Innrain 9, Innsbruck. Visited acoustical research station at Tunau (See Section III, Report 5).

SIGNALS OUT:

LER 10

In transit to-morrow. Will not rpt not meet schedules for twenty five June. Will be on air at 0600 26th. Pass to Ware.

(TOO.241950)

SIGNALS IN:

HIT 3 - CAMPAIGNE from TICOM

1. NUELSEN reports archives of OKW/GHI are in care of Dr. SCHAEDEL at Bad SCHASERSEE 80 Km. South of MUNICH.
2. Cannot locate place here and have signalled NUELSEN for report.
3. Will send you exact location when known. Meanwhile stand by for investigation of archives by your team.

(TOO.241337)

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Monday, 25 June: Lindau (Kressbronn) to Innsbruck

Picked up box of Innrain documents from Lieutenant Phillips and proceeded via Arlberg Pass to Innsbruck, arriving there 2000. Billeted in Sonnenburgerhof, on road to Brenner Pass.

Tuesday, 26 June: Innsbruck, Kufstein, Freising, Schliersee

Visited Innrain 9 (See Section III, Report 10) in morning. Lieutenant Commander Campaigne, Lieutenant Besant, Captain Howgate proceeded in jeep via Achensee to Schliersee. Remainder of party, Lieutenant Talbot-Ponsonby in charge, proceeded to Schliersee via Kufstein (See Section III, Report 6). Billets arranged by Captain Howgate at Seehaus hotel, being used as U.S. Army Rest Camp; Lieutenant Commander Campaigne and Lieutenant Besant visited Freising to obtain clearance for 3rd Army area.

SIGNALS OUT:

LER 11

At INNSBRUCK awaiting your location of SCHASERSEE.

(TOO.260610)

LER 12

1. INNSBRUCK INNRAIN visited. Report follows.

2. Advance party at SCHLIERSEE. Others with set at KUFSTEIN on way to SCHLIERSEE

(TOO.261210)

LER 13

Team at SCHLIERSEE. Target looks promising. Full probe starts Wednesday.

(TOO.261755)

LER 14

INNRAIN NINE has many documents on the third floor in code room partly destroyed. To search these would take several days. In doubt whether we should take the time. As you know numerous people have gone through these before. LINDAU material which we have come from INNRAIN.

(TOO.261810)

SIGNALS IN:

HIT 4 - CAMPAIGNE for action from TICOM

Now rpt now known from KETTLER that Archives of OKW/CHI were at Bad SCHLIERSEE at beginning May. Please investigate.

(TOO.251620)



Wednesday, 27 June: Schliersee (See Section III, Report 7)

Visited numerous buildings in and near Schliersee, guided by Hauptmann Kunz: two hospitals, a school, the freight yards in the morning; Freudenberg, the Strandbad, the lake shore, the "Freiheitsaktion Bayern", and former billet of Major Wedepohl in the afternoon.

SIGNALS OUT:

LER 15

Radio has been out of order. We are exploiting SCHLIERSEE. Dr. SCHAEDEL not yet located.

(TOO.271120)

LER 16

BESANT and COGGIN of THIRTY ASSAULT UNIT are being delayed by us beyond their orders. Submit you square them with ADMIRALTY.

(TOO.271201)

Thursday, 28 June: Schliersee (See Section III, Report 7)

Lieutenant Commander Campaigne took one truck to Bad Toelz in the morning in attempt to find a radio electrician at "Lucky Forward" to repair our set. Visited Hitlerjugend establishment at Kreuth on the way.

Lieutenants Besant and Coggin visited Brixlegg, on orders from F.O.I.C. Kiel.

Lieutenant Commander Campaigne, Lieutenants Talbot-Ponsonby and Huntington, in company of Hauptmann Kunz, examined houses in the mountains near Spitzingsee, including Himmler's hunting lodge.

Captain Howgate got a technician from 689th Battalion, Bayrischzell, to repair radio.

Rowed along the edge of Schliersee looking for evidence of dumped documents.

SIGNALS OUT:

LER 17

Still at SCHLIERSEE. No trace of SCHAEDEL. Do you have more information query.

(TOO.281130)

LER 18

Does BACON want HUNTINGTON to return immediately query.

(TOO.281200)

LER 19

Your HIT 5. Many thanks.

(TOO.281230)

SIGNALS IN:

HIT 5 - CAMPAIGNE from TICOM

Your LER 16: Have squared matter with Admiralty.

(TOO.281005)

Friday, 29 June: Schliersee (See Section III, Report 7)

Lieutenant Commander Campaigne made duty call on Major Haupt of C.I.C. in Miesbach.

Lieutenant Coggin visited Miesbach to interrogate a certain Brunner (whom we had met at F.A.B.) about mine defences.

Lieutenant Talbot-Ponsonby and Captain Howgate investigated story of buried boxes near Bayrischzell.

SIGNALS OUT:

LER 20

SCHLIERSEE area virtually exhausted. Have searched with the aid of the Freiheitsaktion Bayern. Propose to move on to LINZ to-morrow.

(TOO.290800)

SIGNALS IN:

HIT 6 - CAMPAIGNE from TICOM

1. Reference LER 17: No further information.
2. Reference LER 18: HUNTINGTON not required at present.

(TOO.291252)

HIT 7 - CAMPAIGNE from TICOM

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1. Interrogation party with Team 2 at REVIN has returned to U.K. All prisoners except one being released in Germany.
2. Team 4 reached LINDAU on 21st June and moved thence to INNSBRUCK by stages. Now exploiting SCHLIERSEE for Archives of OKW/CHI.
3. Interrogating Party with Team 6 returned to U.K. HUETTENHAIN and FRICKE being brought to U.K. for further detailed interrogation.
4. With effect from 18th June TICOM granted permission to use DUSTBIN camp for interrogating civilian internees.
5. VIERLING Laboratory near NUEREMBERG has been seized and frozen for exploitation by team of Allied technical experts.

(TOO.291328)

Saturday, 30 June: Schliersee, Rosenheim, Salzburg, Linz

Left Schliersee 0930, picked up rations in Rosenheim, stopped in Salzburg for clearance with II Division, arrived Linz 1800; billeted in Hotel Goldene Kanone.

SIGNALS OUT:

LER 21

En route to LINZ via SALZBURG. Will miss noon schedule to-day. Will be on the air again at 1800Z. Pass to WARE

(TOO.300001)



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LER 22

At LINZ. SCHLIERSEE was exploited as thoroughly as any place we have ever done. No rpt no results.

(TOO.301730)

Sunday, 1 July: Linz

Visited Hafenstrasse 1a (Waffenkommando) (See Section III, Report 8), where 30 A.U. exploited a range-finder in excellent condition. Saw Donauflotille in its basin; also air-raid shelters filled with munitions.

Visited Ebelsberg (Sperrwaffenarsenal). Target had already been visited by U.S.N.

SIGNALS OUT:

LER 23

Leaving LINZ for GRUNDELSEE area to-morrow

(TOO.011725)

SIGNALS IN:

HIT 8 - CAMPAIGNE for action from TICOM

Part 1

TICOM still anxious to pick up Oberstleutnant ANDRAE, Hauptmann GORZOLLA, Oberleutnant MCRAWETZ, Leutnant DETTMANN, and Oberinspektor KUEHN. Requests through usual channels have so far produced no results. At your convenience could you track them down and report back to us at once their present whereabouts and activities. We will forward this information to appropriate authorities for action.

(TOO.011455)

Part 2

All were members of Gen der Nachrichtenaufklaerung under command of Oberst BOETZEL. Organisation was intact and originally in BAD GASTEIN area. Moved north and was due to arrive in area of AALEN, fifty miles north of ULM about 8th June. Suggest you contact Gen. WURSTER or Oberst HEINRICI Signals Officers for General WESTFALL, present OK Sued. WURSTERS headquarters in early June near HOHENSCHAEFTLARN one five miles south of MUNICH. WURSTER most helpful and was at times in close touch with BOETZEL.

(TOO.011501)

Monday, 2 July: Linz, Bad Ischl

Left Linz 0930, arrived Bad Ischl 1330, billeted with 11th Armoured Division. Visited "Grundlsee", actually Töplitzsee (See Section III, Report 9).

SIGNALS OUT:

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Your HIT 8 understood. At BAD ISCHL.

(TOO.021457)

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Tuesday, 3 July: Bad Ischl, Salzburg, Innsbruck

Left Bad Ischl 0930, arrived Salzburg 1200. Learned from C.I.C. in Salzburg that Targets there and in Lofer had already been covered by Lieutenant H.V. Greenough, Jr., U.S.N.R., whose reports we read through.

Arrived Innsbruck 2000. Billeted Sonnenburgerhof.

SIGNALS OUT:

LER 25

Leaving BAD ISCHL. Will miss noon schedule to-day. Back on air at 1800Z. Pass to WARE. (TOO.030559)

LER 26

At INNSBRUCK. (TOO.031820)

Wednesday, 4 July: Innsbruck

Found better billet at the Grauer Baer, requisitioned by C.I.C., in the centre of the town.

30 A.U. left to report back to Eckenfoerde. TICOM Team 4, remaining consists of Campaigne, Talbot-Ponsonby, Howgate, Huntington, Abel (driver), Biggin (radio operator), with Dodge truck and "VALET".

SIGNALS OUT:

LER 27

Remaining at INNSBRUCK to finish INNRAIN. 30 Advance Unit left this morning for ECKERNFOERDE. (TOO.041445)

Thursday, 5 July: Innsbruck

Exhausted Innrain 9 (See Section III, Report 10) and packed material in boxes obtained from German supply dump at Hall.

Learned that French would take over all Tirol at 1200 on July 10.

SIGNALS OUT:

LER 28

Have exhausted INNRAIN NINE. Have an additional two and a half boxes of documents probably trash. (TOO.051150)

LER 29

Your HIT 9: BESANT and party left yesterday for ECKERNFOERDE. Team four consisting of CAMPAIGNE, PONSONBY, HUNTINGTON, HOWGATE, one truck, driver and operator. Leaving INNSBRUCK FRIDAY for MUNICH area as per HIT eight. (TOO.051245)

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SIGNALS IN:

HIT 9 - For CAMPAIGNE from TICOM

Could you give us and N.I.D.30 an idea of your immediate as well as long range plans. Reply earliest.

(TOO.050915)

Friday, 6 July: Innsbruck, Hohenschaeflarn, Starnberg

After trouble with truck, requiring new spark plugs and distributor (put in by 803rd Maintenance Company), left Innsbruck 1230.

Visited Hohenschaeflarn and learned that General Wurster and entire staff had just left within the hour for Landsberg. Consulted Control Commission at Pullach, who advised us to inquire at U.S.-British Ministerial Control at Leutstetten (Lieutenant Colonel Snyder, U.S.A.), who were, however, unable to help us. On Lieutenant Colonel Snyder's advice, billeted in Starnberg.

SIGNALS OUT:

LER 30

Leaving INNSBRUCK. Cancel noon schedule. On air again at eighteen hundred. Pass to WARE.

(TOO.060600)

LER 31

At STARNBERG near MUNICH. WURSTER has moved from HOHENSCHAEFLARN. Will miss noon schedule to-morrow.

(TOO.061735)

SIGNALS IN:

HIT 10 - CAMPAIGNE from TICOM

Please return to UNITED KINGDOM with all members of team earliest. Please give earliest E.T.A. HIT 8 mission cancelled.

(TOO.061436)

Saturday, 7 July: Starnberg to Stuttgart

Left Starnberg 0930.

K-ration lunch in Augsburg, where both 7th Army and Military Government require extensive and troublesome authorisation for transit mess.

Arrived Stuttgart 1730; billet in railway station with 716th Railway Operating Battalion.

SIGNALS OUT:

LER 32

Can be in OSTENDE evening TENTH. Request particulars red tape for crossing CHANNEL. Will not meet noon schedule to-day.

(TOO.070001)

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LER 33

We expect to drop radio operator BIGGIN with VALET in  
VERSAILLES. Is this correct?

(TOO.070002)

LER 34

At STUTTGART. Cancel morning and noon schedules Sunday  
eighth. Will be on air at eighteen hundred Z. Pass to  
WARE

(TOO.071715)

LER 35

HIT 11 received. Cancel our LER 34. Cancel all Radio  
Schedule for VALET from now on.

(TOO.071945)

SIGNALS IN:

HIT 11 - CAMPAIGNE from TICOM

Your LER 32. Report on afternoon tenth at OSTEND to  
Lieutenant GIBSON R.N.V.R. Movement Liaison Officer, who  
has been warned of your arrival.

(TOO.071536)

HIT 12 - CAMPAIGNE from TICOM

Your LER 33. Yes, correct.

(TOO.071556)

Sunday, 8 July: Stuttgart to Metz

Left Stuttgart 0810. Arrived Metz 1830.

Monday, 9 July: Metz to Paris

Left Metz 0800. Arrived Paris 1600.

Delivered Biggin and "VALET" to SCU 3 at Versailles. Called at Colonel  
Bicher's office.

Billeted at Transit Camp in Aubervilliers, north of Paris.

Tuesday, 10 July: Paris to Ostend

Left Paris 0830. Arrived Ostend 1600, where Lieutenant Gibson, R.N.V.R.,  
arranged our passage for to-morrow and recommended billet at the Nouveau Coq  
d'Or, which Captain Howgate arranged.

Wednesday, 11 July

Boarded LST 238 at Ostend at 1000.

Thursday, 12 July

Disembarked at Wilbury at 1300. Arrived War Station 1605.

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SECTION III

REPORTS OF TARGETS IN DETAIL.

REPORT 1

REPORT OF TRIP TO MARBURG AS ESCORT

At 0530 on 8th June, one truck and one coach, with Captain J. Magilavy, U.S.A., and Captain M.A.G. Howgate, I.C., left Bletchley, arriving at the Oratory School, Knightsbridge, at 0715. Here, eighteen German male civilians and four German female civilians were collected and taken under guard to Northolt Aerodrome. Here the civilians, with baggage, and with Captain Howgate as escort, emplaned at 1040 for Frankfurt, Captain Magilavy returning to Bletchley with the transport.

The party arrived at Frankfurt Aerodrome at 1310 and were met by two details. The first was a truck from Lieutenant Colonel Allen, with orders to proceed with the party to Lieutenant Colonel Allen's Headquarters at Ruesselsheim. The second was the routine aerodrome authorities' transport in charge of a U.S. Army Captain, who had no orders about the civilians. Captain Howgate decided, therefore, to act on Lieutenant Colonel Allen's instructions, and reported with the civilians to him at Ruesselsheim at 1445.

Lieutenant Colonel Allen then informed Captain Howgate that the driver of the truck had mistaken the orders, and that the party was to proceed to Marburg to contact Captain Lockwood. At 1805 the party arrived at Marburg and Captain Howgate contacted Captain Lockwood, who knew nothing of the arrival of the civilians or what he was to do with them.

It was finally decided to put the civilians in a hotel under security guard. Captain Lockwood's assistant gave Captain Howgate a receipt for the civilians, and Captain Howgate left Marburg at 1030 on 9th June, arriving at Wiesbaden at 1315, where he reported to Major Zaharias at G-2, 12th Army Group H.Q.

Captain Howgate remained in Wiesbaden until the arrival of TICOM Team 4 on Monday, 17th June.

REPORT 2

ISLAND OF MAINAU, LAKE CONSTANCE

Visited on 22nd June by Lieutenant Talbot-Ponsonby and 30 U.A.

Mainau was a 30 A.U. target, certain experimental stations from Peenemuende being reported as having evacuated to Mainau.

The island is being used by the French Army as a rehabilitation centre for displaced persons. Access to the building was refused by the sentry on the grounds that the island was neutral territory, the property of Prince Bernadotte of Sweden. Contact was made with the Senior Medical Officer who said that everything that the Germans had left had been removed, and that the island had already been visited by two British Intelligence Officers. Passes to enter the Establishment, he said, were to be had in Constance. This proved impracticable, as once more the Sultan of Morocco was present. A grandiose parade was in progress, involving the passing of hundreds of troops, tanks, etc.; and the whole official work of the town had ceased.

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REPORT 3VISIT TO BREGENZ AND DORNBIRN, 23rd JUNE

Lieutenant Commander Campaigne, Lieutenants Besant and Talbot-Ponsonby, and Captain Howgate called on Sécurité Militaire at Bregenz to inquire about communications targets. He mentioned a station near Lauterach. The party found it after many detours, to find it a broadcasting station now in use by the French.

From there we went to see an expert, Schubert (German), in Dornbirn, who turned out to be expert in broadcasting. He told us of OKW transmitting at Kufstein. Another tall tale was about a mobile broadcasting unit crossing into Austria about 22nd April, the day he arrived to take over the station.

REPORT 4NEUSTADT

Village of Grafenhausen, Kreis Neustadt (Hegau), was visited on 23 June by Lieutenant Coggin, R.N.V.R. and Lieutenant Huntington, U.S.N.R., in search of Alois Gautert, said by Brigadier General E.L. Harrison (A.C. of S. G-2) [Letter of 17 June to "T" Sub-Division, G-2, SHAEF, Attention Lieutenant McMahon] to be the inventor of a one-man torpedo, considered by OKH in 1942 for production, but never produced.

We found no one in the village of the name of Gautert, but several people named Gantert were mentioned by the villagers, who had, however, never heard of Alois. The Ganterts are all simple peasants. It seems very unlikely that the man in question should be one of them.

REPORT 5VISIT TO TUNAU, 27th JUNE

The party consisted of Lieutenant Commander Campaigne, Lieutenants Coggin, Talbot-Ponsonby, Besant and Huntington, and Captain Howgate. Lieutenant Phillips took us to this acoustical research station run once by Boettger, with whom we talked.

The laboratory once had 60 persons, still has 10 Germans. They had developed a device which told the direction and distance of depth charge explosions, measuring the wave front form by means of a cathode ray oscillograph. Ten were made but not installed. Thirty-eight of an earlier model (which gave direction only) were installed.

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REPORT 6K U F S T E I N

Visited on 26th June by Lieutenants Huntington and Talbot-Ponsonby.

The Austrian Director of Radio Vorarlberg at Dornbirn, a civilian and interested in nothing beyond public broadcasting, informed us that the Kufstein area was the best one to search after Wehrmacht transmitting stations. In Kufstein Major Veal of the Military Government said that no information at all was available on the subject of Wehrmacht installations other than purely military, but that at his billet on the Hechtsee nearby certain Radar experiments had taken place. These had been investigated already by Lieutenant H.V. Greenough, Jr., U.S.N.R., who had removed all he had wanted.

The Hechtsee was not visited.

REPORT 7S C H L I E R S E E - 27th, 28th, 29th JUNE

On the basis of information supplied by Oberst Kettler to Lieutenant Nuelsen of TICOM Team 6 (See Section II, Log for 24th, 25th June, HIT 3 and HIT 4), according to which the archives of OKW/Chi were in the custody of a certain Dr. Schaedel in Schliersee early in May, this target became one of Team 4's two principal and most promising targets. The Team had good hopes of success from the moment that Captain Weston, of the Military Government, introduced Hauptmann Kunz, who stated his belief that the Wehrmacht had left many boxes of documents hidden in the neighbourhood.

Hauptmann Kunz, who wore civilian clothes and the armband of the Military Government Police, had, before the war, been a captain in the Vienna police. Shortly after the Anschluss he was transferred to Northern Germany, and throughout the war he had been assigned to police duty in various places in the Baltic and North Sea areas, returning finally to the South for duty at Munich. This information, given by himself, was corroborated by the Military Government, which further stated that he was now of considerable help to them in locating fugitive Nazis. With the permission of the Military Government, he carried a pistol in his brief case. He hoped that he would be able to return to Vienna as soon as possible, since there he would be better qualified than he was in Bavaria to identify beyond all question individuals whose former activities had aided the Nazis. In the opinion of the Team, after two days of association with him, he is trustworthy. His search, though unsuccessful, was thorough in investigating every place which might reasonably have been expected to yield results, and there was evidence at each place that this expectation was indeed reasonable.

It should be mentioned that Hauptmann Kunz was, during our stay, affiliated with the Freiheitsaktion Bayern (F.A.B.), to the Headquarters of which he took the Team. The avowed purpose of F.A.B. is to clear Bavaria of war criminals.

On the first day the Team searched the following places:

3 Hospitals - 2 in the town, 1 ex-SA Schule on the road to Bayrischzell  
The Railway Station and trucks in goods yard  
The School and adjacent book deposit  
Post Office and Telephone Exchange  
Freudenberg Hotel  
Strandbad, and nearby landslide on railway.



The hospitals are being run as German Army hospitals under German control with their own medical staffs. The actual buildings were two former hotels, and one former S.A. Schule. Beyond one or two empty boxes, no evidence of Wehrmacht occupation was found. At Kunz's suggestion, Team 4 interviewed Oberst Marsan and Major Amsing, but they had both been in Schliersee as patients only and knew of no other Wehrmacht activities in the area. In the annex to the S.A. Schule were found many personnel files relating to the S.A. that had been in the place, but of no interest to the Team. The Military Government were aware of their presence, the documents being guarded by the caretaker of the house who had had them arranged in an orderly fashion.

The visit to the railway station yielded nothing beyond two closed railway trucks belonging to the Luftwaffe, which had been broken into by wandering Russian Displaced Persons, looted and considerably damaged. These contained no more than photographic reconnaissance gear and papers.

In the basement of the school were found a number of teleprinter machines, which had come from the communications department formerly in the Hotel Freudenberg. Neither the schoolmaster nor the caretaker knew anything about them. The school book deposit contained nothing but old school text books, assembled for destruction at the hands of the Allies.

The Post Office and Telephone Exchange likewise yielded no positive results, the only traces of the Wehrmacht being several hundred army telephones turned in for repairs and storage.

The Strandbad near Freudenberg was found to have housed many boxes belonging to the Wehrmacht, which had been kept in the bathing huts. Only a few empty boxes now remained. The proprietor told us the same story that we had heard at the station, namely that the army had taken two goods trucks of papers in boxes along the railtrack on the western shore of the lake to a spot where the track is cut by a landslide, and had dumped the contents into the water, which at that point is steeply shelving and deep. This place was then visited. Not only would it have been easy to remove any goods from a truck straight into the lake, but there were the ashes of a large paper bonfire of files and office equipment. What few documents were sufficiently whole to enable a few lines to be read appeared to be SS personnel files. The only sheet found intact was handed over to the C.I.C.

The Hotel Freudenberg had been occupied by the Wehrmacht, including, from 15th April 1945, a Communications Officer, Major Wendt\*, and his deputy, Stabsintendant Hatz. Teleprinter lines were installed, connecting with Munich, Wendt having a staff of 80 women auxiliaries (these are the teleprinter machines now in the cellar of the Schliersee school). The staff had been allowed to go free by the Americans. Hatz returned to Lauf near Nuernberg. Major Wendt, on the other hand, with two lorries and a car, fled by road for Kitzbuehl on 23rd April. According to the informant, arrival in Kitzbuehl was confirmed by one of the party who afterwards returned to Schliersee.

Virtually no equipment beyond empty boxes and a large stock of stationery including many rolls of tape was left behind at the hotel. A quantity of radio material, said to be worth seven million Marks, was stated to have been dumped into the lake from a raft.

The hotel is at present in use by the U.S. Army, and immediately before their arrival had housed 500 P/Ws.

Informant: Ex-German Army Officer, discharged from the Army after leaving hospital. He is the owner of the hotel and lives on the premises. He had not been there long enough to know much about the men concerned. The details of Hatz's whereabouts came from his wife.

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\* Owner of 3 factories at Zwickau in Sachsen.



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The following day the Team was again joined by Kunz. After visiting a farm in the valley where the only evidence of Wehrmacht contact was two empty army boxes, the party proceeded up the mountain road beyond Spitzingsee. Here a number of mountain farms and Alpine huts were searched, as well as Himmler's hunting lodge, now occupied by U.S. troops. Some yielded traces of former occupation, but seldom anything more than empty boxes or "Jerrycans", about whose contents or history the occupants professed to know nothing more than the fact that they had been left behind empty. One hut was lived in by six Nazi Frenchmen, who claimed to be working on the roads, but were said to be causing the local population trouble by such acts as sheep stealing. The mountain police were aware of their existence. Another cluster of huts contained a "lustiges Zigeunerleben" of four ex-Luftwaffe men and three girls.

In nearly all buildings visited during these two days there was direct evidence of some former connection with, or occupation by, the German army. In no case was there much more than empty boxes to reward extensive searches of houses, outhouses, cellars and rafters. The medical staffs naturally professed complete ignorance, while likely people who were interrogated had never heard of Dr. Schaedel. No one in the F.A.B. Headquarters was able to give any information about him.

The F.A.B., however, did react immediately to the word "Nachrichten", and Herr Reitz (?), apparently one of the leaders of the movement, quickly produced from his pocket the following list of wanted persons, which he (somewhat dramatically) read aloud:

Oberstlt. KEHLER  
Oberst KEPTJER  
Min.Rat. FENNER  
Reg.Rat. MITTENHAIN [presumably Huettenhain]  
Son.Fuehrer FRICKE  
Prof.Dr. FRANZ  
Dr.Reg.Rat.VOEGELE

The F.A.B. also mentioned a certain Major Wedepohl as having been in charge of a radio station communicating, so thought the F.A.B., with Murnau (approximately 35 miles from Schliersee). Wedepohl was described as a centre of anti-Allied resistance, and was said to have been aided in his activities by his secretary, Fraeulein Lilo Zirbes. Two other women, namely Sigrid Borgers and Anneli Mueller, who had once had the Feldpostnummer 08088, subsequently altered to a number ending in 302 (first two digits unknown), had also been active at an OKH radio station in the neighbourhood. This may have been Major Wedepohl's station, though this is not certain. These two women were known to have left the area by way of Miesbach, where it is thought they applied to the Military Government for passes to Dortmund. In conclusion, the F.A.B. mentioned an Unteroffizier Skow as having been employed at Major Wedepohl's station.

Lieutenant Commander Campaigne and Lieutenant Huntington then accompanied Hauptmann Kunz to the former billet of Major Wedepohl and Fraeulein Zirbes, where, however, no significant information was added.

On June 28th Captain Howgate contacted Battery H.Q. of 389th Artillery Unit, U.S. Army, at Bayrischzell, near Schliersee, in order to obtain assistance with the radio repairs necessary on "VALET". In the course of conversation the Unit Signals Officer said that he had located some 20,000 Marks' worth of wireless equipment in a canyon above Bayrischzell, and that he believed that there were other boxes still hidden higher up the ravine. This information was passed on to Lieutenant Commander Campaigne who, on 29th June, sent Lieutenant Talbot-Ponsonby and Captain Howgate to investigate the subject further.

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The sergeant in charge of the ravine search party was interviewed and said that the information leading to the discovery of the hidden wireless equipment came from an attendant at a bathing pool in Bayrischzell. He stated that the boxes buried in the ravine were believed by the bathing pool attendant to contain food - a belief which had so far proved correct by the unearthing of two boxes, both of which were found to contain tinned foods. When asked whether it might be possible to examine the boxes for purposes of identifying the German units concerned, he said that they had been left overnight in the ravine and had been stolen by SS. men!

The sergeant said, however, that he could take the officers to the bathing pool attendant, who might supply them with further information about the rest of the buried boxes, but that he (the sergeant) was convinced that they contained only food. Nobody at 389 Battery H.Q. knew the name of the bathing pool attendant or where he lived, but it was known that he was to be found at the bathing pool every fine day. Since it had been raining continuously for three days, doubts were expressed as to whether he would be available. In spite of this, Lieutenant Talbot-Ponsonby and Captain Howgate proceeded to the bathing pool but were unable to locate the attendant. Local inhabitants were questioned but did not know where he lived; merely that he was to be found at the pool if the weather was good. Since the barometer was still falling and the search appeared hopeless, Lieutenant Talbot-Ponsonby and Captain Howgate returned to Schliersee and reported to Lieutenant Commander Campaigne, who decided that in view of the information about the probable contents of the buried boxes and in view of the meteorological reactions of the bathing pool attendant, the search was to be discontinued.

In conclusion, it is the opinion of Team 4 that OKW/Chi archives are very probably not above ground in the immediate Schliersee neighbourhood. The material may have been:

1. dumped into the lake from the railway tracks near the landslide on the western shore;
2. buried or otherwise concealed in mountain locations;
3. evacuated to the south, as for example by Major Wendt from Freudenberg.

REPORT 8

LINZ - ARTILLERIE WAFFENKOMMANDO (HAFENSTR. 1a)

Visited 1st July by Lieutenant Commander Campaigne, Lieutenant Talbot-Ponsonby and 30 A.U.

The sheds containing the command showed signs of extensive destruction by the Greeks and Poles after their liberation. Wooden sheds containing tools and repair shops had had their contents looted and badly damaged. The surrounding fields contained about fifty searchlights, all of which had been damaged, and a number of ships' H.A. guns. Both these and the searchlights were mainly of Italian manufacture.

Nothing of interest or value was found in the buildings owing to the destruction, with the exception of a large range-finder, which was taken away by 30 A.U.

This inspection led to a visit to the basin of the Danube Flotilla at Linz, where members went on board a M.F.P. to corroborate the details heard about the Artillerie Waffenkommando. The massive air-raid shelter on the quay was examined and found to be full of ammunition.

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REPORT 9"GRUNDLSEE" TARGET

In the afternoon, after arranging billets at Bad Ischl, Lieutenant Commander Campaigne and Lieutenants Besant and Coggin left to find the C.P.V.A. laboratory at Grundlsee, over the Poescher Pasz. Nothing was found at Grundlsee, but hearing that the next lake, Toeplitzsee, was guarded, the party went there. A sign on the lake bottom verified that it was C.P.V.A. The U.S. Navy was competently exploiting the target.

The lake is very remote, being reachable by a road only a jeep can negotiate. An attempt had been made to bring a cliff down across the road by undermining it with explosives. The laboratory was the purest makeshift, being made of logs, without heat or running water.

On the lake were numerous buoys and pontoons, the latter of the type used by aeroplanes. The biggest were approximately twenty-seven feet long, indicating a plane much too big to land on that lake.

A great deal of material had been dumped into the lake, and was being sought for by divers, who were not there at the time, but who came periodically from Linz.

REPORT 10INNSEERUCK - INNRAIN 9

First visit 26th June; second visit 4th and 5th July.

[The following report should be supplemented by consulting Enclosure 1 of Final Report of TICOM Team 2].

The building is a convent with the nuns in possession. It is out of bounds to troops, but its rooms are unlocked and are easy of access to the numerous Austrian civilians who attend classes in English on the first floor. Rooms on all floors apart from the first are unused and those on the second floor are empty of all documents and equipment.

The basement contains a miscellaneous collection of Wehrmacht papers of no apparent value; the ground floor, a considerable quantity of personnel records, in deep disorder. Opposite the foot of the stairs is a heavy metal safe, 6' x 4' x 3', locked, in the upper portion of the back of which a hole has been cut (photograph available). This, however, exposes to view only the upper compartment, which is empty. A similar safe, locked and undamaged, is in the ground floor room nearest the kitchen. The nuns declared themselves unable to open these safes.

One room on the top floor (third) proved to have housed the Marinedruck-schriftenverwaltung of MOK Sued, records and documents of which constituted one of Team 4's two principal targets. (The extent of exploitation by Team 2 was not known at the time that TICOM received further intelligence to the effect that this target required further examination).

This room was still in the condition fully described in Team 2's Report. Between the first and second visits of Team 4, considerable destruction of Enigma machines had occurred. Mrs. Churchill, an Austrian now employed by

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the C.I.C., and Lieutenant Eiband, U.S.N.R., Liaison Officer, informed Team 4 that numerous parties of specialists had visited the room and had removed documents. Among these parties were Lieutenant (j.g.) McNees, U.S.N.R., T-Force, 29 May; Commander Colemans, U.S.N.R.; Lieutenant Parker, R.N.V.R. Major Griffiths of T-Force stated that a list of some materials removed was on file with T-Force in Salzburg.

Team 4 made a thorough and systematic search of the remainder of the material, and removed the following items, some of which were buried under a portion of the fallen ceiling, itself covered to a depth of about 2 feet by a sodden mass of charred paper. A copy of the following list was filed at Major Griffiths's office:

- 4 copies Schlüsselgruppentafeln 1-30
- 1/2 box of wetted soluble print pink pages
- 6 copies Flugmeldesignaltable
- 4 copies Schlüsselfernschreibvorschrift
- 3 copies "Hanno" Schlüsselheft 203
- 3 " " " 204
- 1 copy Schlüssel "H", 2 vols.
- 2 copies Teleprint address book, Part 2
- 1 copy " " " Part 1
- 6 copies Schlüsselblätter 3004
- 6 " " 3017
- 6 " " 3020
- 8 " OKM Fernsprechanwähltable, w. 70 connections
- 6 " Aufklärungs- u. Kampffliegertafel Land/See
- 1 box one-time pads in poor condition.

(Signed) H.H. CAMPAIGNE,  
Lieutenant Commander, U.S.N.R.